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**AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE (37 C.F.R. §1.312)**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Please make the amendment shown on page 3 in claim 6 of the above-identified application. There are no changes for claims 1, 2, 4, and 5. Essentially, the word "arms" was added before the words "are arranged" in line 4 of claim 6 to correct a formal matter. No substantial amount of additional work is required on the part of the Patent and Trademark Office.

The issue fee has not been paid.

No fee is required.

Entry of this amendment at an early date is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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